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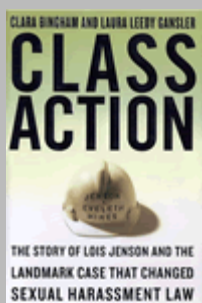
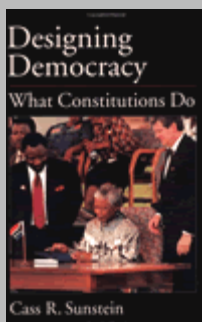
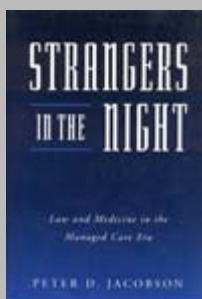
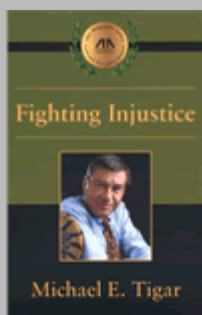
In celebration of the 50th anniversary of the decision in *Brown v. Board of Education*, the Library has created a multifaceted exhibit in the display cases lining the fourth floor Dolliver Reading Room. Structured around a timeline of significant civil rights and school desegregation events, the exhibit brings together library materials, photos, and other information to trace the progress from *Brown* until the present. The physical exhibit is complemented by an online exhibit available from the library's research portal. Librarian Kerry Fitz-Gerald created the exhibits in collaboration with second year law student Katie Brown and web developer Karla Heng.

As Kunsch Takes Sabbatical, a New Face Temporarily Joins Our Reference Ranks



After sixteen years of service to the law school, Kelly Kunsch is on sabbatical this semester. While on sabbatical, Kelly will be conducting research under an AALL Aspen Research Grant, at the Washington State Archives, where he plans to examine the many historical records pertaining to Washington's two constitutional conventions. Kelly will also be reviewing the unpublished papers of Arthur Beardsley, law librarian at the University of Washington from 1922-1944, for additional material relating to the constitutional conventions and history of the Washington State bar. Kelly's research will culminate in an article or series of articles about Washington's legal history.

To help with reference services during Kelly's sabbatical, the library has hired Barbara Swatt Engstrom as a temporary part-time librarian. Barbara's most recent position was as an Assistant Librarian and Adjunct Professor at the S.J. Quinney College of



Law, University of Utah. She received her J.D. from the University of Wyoming, and her M.L.I.S. from the University of Washington. Barbara will staff the reference desk in the afternoon and evenings. Please come by and say hello.

Donation From Mexican Consul Furthers School's International Ties

At a recent reception hosted by Dean Hasl, Jorge Madrazo-Cuellar, the Mexican Consul in Seattle, presented Executive Law Librarian Kristin Cheney with a donation from Dr. Diego Valadés, Director of the Institute for Legal Research of the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (National Autonomous University of Mexico). The seventy-two volume donation contains materials on public law and comparative law and is in the process of being added to the library's collection. To locate them in our catalog, access the library's research portal, follow the LC Subject Heading link, and search "Mexican collection".



The library is excited to be expanding its collection with these Spanish-language materials in such a substantial way, and to be part of the ongoing collaboration between SU and UNAM.

Feedback on Library Services: An Upcoming Survey

Service quality is important to Seattle University Law Library. One way to assess our service is to survey our users for their opinions. We will be doing just that this spring by conducting a service assessment survey called LibQUAL+™ which was developed by the Association of Research Libraries (ARL) in collaboration with Texas A&M University Libraries. LibQUAL+™ is based on the SERVQUAL instrument, a popular tool for assessing service quality in the private sector. The survey is designed to measure users' views of library services by helping to identify gaps between desired, perceived and minimal

expectations of service. Seattle University Law Library will use the survey information to make improvements, respond to user needs, and collect and interpret library user feedback systematically over time. Because there are a number of law libraries participating through the Conference of Law Libraries of the Association of Jesuit Colleges and Universities (AJCU), we will have comparable assessment information from peer institutions and can identify best practices in library service.

The LibQUAL+™ survey will be administered this spring via e-mail. The survey takes about 15 minutes to complete and has three sections:

- Survey questions which ask you to rate a series of statements regarding your minimum, desired and perceived service levels on various topics
- Demographic section
- Comments section

When the LibQUAL+™ survey is distributed this semester, we hope you will take the time to fill it out.

Legal Writing I Research Exam Prep



Preparation for the Legal Writing I Research Exam kept the students and the library busy. To prepare for the exam, students in all of the Legal Writing I sections were required to review Washington and federal sources, noting how they are used for legal research. To assist the students, the reference librarians temporarily relocated applicable resources, placing them in a central location near the reference desk. The Research Exam was given earlier this month.

Continuing Recognition for the Library Virtual Tour

The award winning Library Virtual Tour continues to bring recognition to the Law Library: a recent Law Library Resource Xchange (LLRX) article, *Virtual Tours* and *Law Library Websites*, describes the tour "as a multimedia presentation second

to none."

A Visit from Members of the Korea Fair Trade Commission

A delegation of government officials from the Korea Fair Trade Commission visited the library on January 16 in conjunction with their visit to the law school. The delegates toured the library, and received an orientation to the library's resources on corporate law. The library also provided the delegates with temporary access to corporate law-related databases to aid in their research.

CLE Materials Now Available

Thanks to Shawn Lipton, Director of Continuing Legal Education at SU Law, the library has added SU CLE seminar materials from the past few years to the library collection. These materials cover a broad range of topics, including ethics, the 14th Amendment, and intellectual property. To locate them in our catalog, access the library's research portal, follow the LC Subject Heading link, and search "SU law CLEs".

Casual Seating Area Gets Cozier



You've no doubt noticed the new soft seating areas on the second floor of the library located between the reference and circulation desks. This area is arranged for library patrons to sit back and relax. Recent issues of newspapers and magazines have been relocated to this area. The new reading area now includes the *Wall Street Journal*, *New York Times*, *Lawyers Weekly USA*, the *National Law Journal*, and other materials. We invite you to stop by and take a look.

New Library Addition

The library has a new, rather quiet, staff addition. Thanks to a generous benefactor, the library collection now includes a Librarian Action Figure. The action figure is a doll based on local librarian Nancy Pearl of the Seattle Public Library. Nancy (the person, not the doll) is probably best known for "If All of Seattle Read the Same Book," an effort to build community

connections through an appreciation of books, and more recently for *Book Lust: Recommended Reading for Every Mood, Moment and Reason*.

The Librarian Action Figure is located in a display case near the reference desk. As an action figure it does have one movement- the ability to "shhh." If you wish to see the doll in action, inquire at the reference desk.



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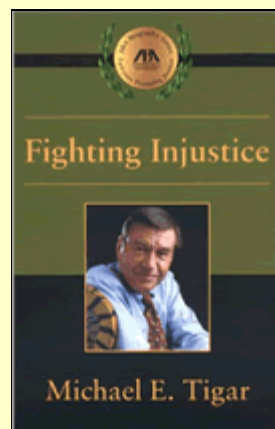
What's new in the
New and Notable...

February 2004

Tigar, Michael E. Fighting Injustice. Section of Litigation, American Bar Association, 2002. KF373.T58A3 2002

From the Publisher:

Famed trial lawyer Michael E. Tigar describes the battles—both inside and outside the courtroom—that have made him one of the world's most courageous defenders of personal freedoms. This memoir combines the compelling details of Tigar's trials (including private exchanges with judges, prosecutors, and defendants) with background information and observations about the law and American society. More than one lawyer's struggle, the book is a brilliant exploration of the right to counsel and the threats that have jeopardized this right repeatedly over the past four decades—and today.



Includes Michael Tigar's unvarnished account of some of his most memorable (and instructive) cases, such as his defense of Vietnam War draftees, the Chicago Seven war protestors, Angela Davis, John Demjanjuk, Terry Nichols and countless others.

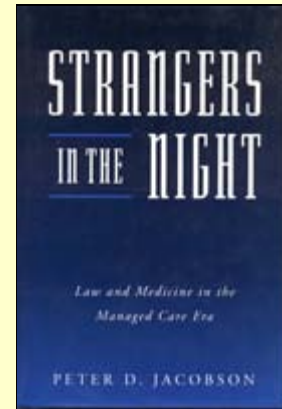
About the Author:

In the 1960s, Micheal Tigar had his clerkship for Justice William Brennan Jr. revoked because of his membership in the left-wing Students for a Democratic Society. Brennan, dismissed Tigar under pressure from the Nixon administration, which was looking to force liberal judges off the high court. Regretting his action later, Brennan placed Tigar at Williams & Connolly.

Tigar has now become perhaps the most important human-rights lawyer in America, taking on the cases of the most reviled criminals of the day. One example is his representation of Terry Nichols, the alleged co-conspirator of Oklahoma City bomber Timothy McVeigh. In years past Tigar has represented members of the Black Panthers, suspected Nazis, and radical bombers. The Annapolis resident is currently suing former Secretary of State Henry Kissinger for the wrongful death of a leftist Chilean military commander and is attempting to use the US courts to repatriate 4,000 former residents of Diego Garcia who were moved off the island when the United States built its Air Force base there.

—Taken from Washingtonian Online 75 Best lawyers.

Jacobson, Peter D. Strangers in the Night: Law and Medicine in the Managed Care Era. New York, Oxford University Press, 2002. KF1183.J33 2002



From the Publisher:

More than ever before, the legal system plays a vital role in virtually every aspect of the current health care system. From the congressional debate over patients' rights legislation to judicial rulings on the denial of health care services, the legal system is integrally involved in the organization, financing and delivery of health care. Patients thus have a large stake in how the law influences medical care. This book explains how the legal system helps shape health care delivery and policy, explores new ways of looking at the relationship between law and medicine, and reflects on why it all matters. The story focuses on the judicial response to the advent of managed care, especially challenges to cost containment initiatives, and shows how the legal system has facilitated managed care's dominance over the health care system. An equally important part of the story is the evolution of the relationship between physicians and attorneys and how their mutual antagonism affects patient care.

The legal system plays a much larger role in health care organization, financing, and delivery than most people realize—through regulatory oversight, legislation mandating benefits, and judicial ruling on substandard care. By imposing limits on costs and on physicians' autonomy, managed care has brought the interaction between the legal and medical professions to the fore. In lucid, non-technical terms, this book explains how the legal system helps shape health care, offers new ways of understanding the relationship between law and medicine, and reflects on why it all matters.

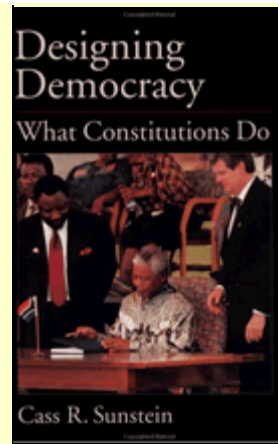
About the Author:

Peter D. Jacobson is a professor at the University of Michigan School of Public Health.

Democracy: What Constitutions Do.
New York, Oxford University Press,
2001. K3165.S86 2001

From the Publisher:

Confronting one explosive political issue after another, from presidential impeachment to the limits of religious liberty, from discrimination against women and gays to the role of the judiciary, Sunstein constructs a powerful new perspective from which to show how democracies negotiate their most divisive real-world problems. He focuses on a series of concrete concerns that go to the heart of the relationship between the idea of democracy and the idea of constitutionalism. Illustrating his discussion with examples from constitutional debates and court-cases in South Africa, Eastern Europe, Israel, America, and elsewhere, Sunstein takes readers through a number of highly charged questions: When should government be permitted to control discriminatory behavior by or within religious organizations? Does it make sense to govern on the basis of popular referenda? Can the right to have an abortion be defended? Can we defend Internet regulation? Should the law step in if children are being schooled in discriminatory preferences and beliefs? Should a constitution protect rights to food, shelter, and health care? Disputes over questions such as these can be fierce enough to pose a grave threat. But in a paradox whose elaboration forms the core of Sunstein's book, it is a nation's apparently threatening diversity of opinion that can ensure its integrity.



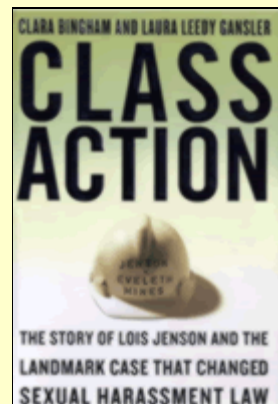
About the Author:

Cass R. Sunstein is a professor at the University of Chicago Law School.

Bingham, Clara and Laura Leedy Gansler. Class Action: the Story of Lois Jenson and the Landmark Case that Changed Sexual Harassment Law. New York, Doubleday, 2002.
KF228.J464B56 2002

From the Publisher:

In the tradition of A Civil Action and Erin Brockovitch, Class Action is a story of intrigue and injustice as dramatic as fiction but all the more poignant because it is true.



In the coldest reaches of northern Minnesota, a group of women endured a shocking degree of sexual harassment—until one of them stepped forward and sued the company that had turned a blind eye to their pleas for help. *Jenson v. Eveleth Mines*, the first sexual harassment class action in America, permanently changed the legal landscape as well as the lives of the women who fought the battle.

In 1975, Lois Jenson, a single mother on welfare, heard that the local iron mine was now hiring women. The hours were grueling, but the pay was astonishing, and Jenson didn't think twice before accepting a job cleaning viscous soot from enormous grinding machines. What she hadn't considered was that she was now entering a male-dominated, hard-drinking society that firmly believed that women belonged at home—a sentiment quickly born out in the relentless, brutal harassment of every woman who worked at the mine. When a group of men whistled at her walking into the plant, she didn't think much of it; when they began yelling obscenities at her, she was resilient; when one of them began stalking her, she got mad; when the mining company was unwilling to come to her defense, she got even.

From Jenson's first day on the job, through three intensely humiliating trials, to the emotional day of the settlement, it would take Jenson twenty-five years and most of her physical and mental health to fight the battle with the mining company. But with the support of other women miners like union official Patricia Kosmach and her luck at finding perhaps the finest legal team for class action law, Jenson would eventually prevail.

Clara Bingham and Laura Leedy Gansler take readers on a fascinating, page-turning journey, the roller-coaster ride that became *Jenson v. Eveleth Mines* and show us that Class Action is not just one woman's story, it's every woman's legacy.

About the Authors:

Clara Bingham is a former White House correspondent for Newsweek and wrote *Women On the Hill: Challenging the Culture of Congress*. She has written for *Talk*, *Vogue*, *Harper's Bazaar*, and *Washington Monthly*. She is a graduate of Harvard University.

Laura Leedy Gansler is a lawyer specializing in alternative dispute resolution and securities law. She is a former adjunct law professor at American University. After graduating from Harvard University, Gansler received a J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law in 1989.